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BIG MILL CHRISTMAS FOOT BALL GAME DREW LARGE CROWD--RESULT A DRAW

Teams Evenly Matched and Many Brilliant Plays Were Made

The big Christmas football game at Athletic park yesterday between the day and night forces of the billet mill of the Pittsburgh Steel, was one of the greatest events of the year end.

The game was closely contested from the start at 10:30 and ended in a pointless draw.

The Stahlnecker Rebels had the advantage in weight, but as the result shows they had nothing on the Lulu boys, who made good in activity, and skill, the advantage of averdupois maintained by their worthy opponents.

The attendance was very good and the game was filled with interest throughout with many brilliant plays on the part of both teams.

Roy Gray of Monessen carried off first prize, a $50 00 Liberty bond, while Ben Eggers of Belle Vernon, was the second lucky man coming in for $25.00 in merchandise of his own selection.

IN HONOR OF OUR SOLDIER BOYS

Very neat and appropriate patriotic invitations have been issued for a New Years special service at Greensburg, in honor of "Our Soldiers" The invitations are issued by the county commissioners, the army and navy camp committee of Mother's Congress, the Southwest Greensburg council and the Hempfield township school board and Road Supervisors.

The program will consist of the unfurling of the county service flag at 1:30 and the dedication of the Honor Roll at 3:30 with appropriate addresses. Quite a number of invitations have been received by Monessen people intersted in war service work

Monessen High School Alumni association will hold its annual meeting in the High school gymnasium on Thursday evening at 8:15. All graduates and seniors are expected to be present A good entertainment for all. Come and have a good time. Admission $1.00 For reservation call 445-J, Monessen. It

PELT BUYER FOULLY MURDERED WHILE MAKING HIS ROUNDS

Thomas D Cummins of Chartiers township, Washington county, a well known dealer in hides and furs, was shot and perhaps fatally wounded by a highwayman in Cecil township. The robber escaped and no trace has been found of him since. The bullet struck the victim in the neck and lodged in the vertebra.

Mr. Cummins is a brother of Col. A. W. Cummins, of Houston, the well known auctioneer, and a reward of $300 has been offered by the latter for the arrest of the highwayman.

This holdup is one of the boldest and most dastardly that has been perpetrated in Washington county for a long time Mr. Cummins was making his weekly trip to the mining towns of Hyland, Hendersonville and others, purchasing hides from the butchers and furs from the boys and other trappers in that section.

In the morning he went through Hills Station on his way to Hyland, when he was stopped by a man who claimed to have some polecat pelts to sell. He said his father objected to having them about the house or barn and he had concealed them in the woods. At Mr. Cummins' invitation the man got in the buggy and the two rode together in it for over a mile. When they reached a place near the Boone farm, the man stated that this was near the spot, and both got out. As Mr. Cummins was climbing over the fence, the man shot him through the neck. He immediately called to his assailant not to shoot again, saying that if he wanted money he could have all he had. Mr. Cummins then gave the highwayman between $150 and $175 and the robber left.

Mr. Cummins managed to crawl back to the roadside where he was found by Samuel McPherson, who was on his way from Canonsburg. Mr. McPherson put him in his buggy and took him back to Hills Station, from which place he was sent to Canonsburg At the hospital he was operated upon and the bullet located lodged near the vertebra in the back of his neck. His condition is said to be favorable to recovery.

JULES WARGO DIED NOV. 28 IN FRANCE

Word has been received by friends of Jules Wargo, a popular young Monessen soldier, stating that he died in France November 28th of pleuro-pneumonia. It will be remembered that young Wargo was reported wounded in action some months ago. He was aged about 27 years and was with the first contingent of drafted men to leave Monessen for Camp Lee, where he was attached to the Depot brigade for quite a time, after which he served in the postal department until the time of his being sent overseas

For about four years he was employed with the local plant of the American Sheet & Tinplate company, the latter two years being timekeeper, and he was held in the highest esteem by officials and employes of that plant. His parents live here, but prior to their coming to Monessen from West Virginia he made his home at the Hornak home on Mohawk street He leaves a large circle of friends and admirers to mourn his untimely but honorable death in a foreign land while serving his country in the interest of humanity.

MARRIED

Miss Dora Phillips of Second and Aliquippa street, and Mr. Clyde Eisle of Donner avenue, were united in marriage Tuesday, Dec. 24, at the parsonage of the English Lutheran church, Pittsburgh, by the pastor, Rev. Carlyle McLaughlin. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H Phillips and is a well known music teacher with a wide circle of friends, while the groom, a son of Mr. and Mrs J C. Eisley, is foreman at the Pittsburgh Steel Labratory, and is among Monessen's best liked and most popular young men. Mr and Mrs. Eisley are now at home to friends at the bride's home, and are receiving hearty good wishes for a long, happy and prosperous life.

Visited Parents Here

—Miss Margaret E Dietterich of Philadelphia, spent Christmas with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. Eugene Dietterich of McKee avenue. Miss Dietterich is connected with the Labor Bureau of the United States government as Publicity Woman and in this capacity makes addresses before nearly all the important organizations in Philadelphia, where her office is located and inspects many large manufacturing plants, especially where large numbers of women and girls are employed. One of her more recent addresess was in the Baptist Temple with Dr. Russel H. Conwell presiding. Dr. Conwell complimented her on her work. Her duties make it necessary for her to return on Friday.

—Mr. and Mrs W. T. Williams and two children, Robert and Gladys, and Mr. William's mother, Mrs. S. Williams, spent Christmas in Youngstown with Mrs. William's daughter, Mrs. Harry Chubbs.

YORK MAN IS LIKELY TO BE CHOSEN SPEAKER OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Representative Spangler is Pledged to Support of Prohibition

From present indications Representative Robert S. Spangler of York, will be elected Speaker of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. It is probable that when the Republican caucus is held in Harrisburg the night of January 6, no other name will be presented. Mr. Spangler has given his pledge that he will vote for the ratification of the prohibition amendment to the Federal Constitution and this is likely to give him the solid support of the "dry" forces His candidacy is said to be acceptable to the legislative leaders who have not committed themselves on ratification and they are expected to swing the "wet" vote into the Spangler column

In the other sessions of the Legislature in which Mr. Spangler has participated--and this will be his fourth session—he has voted against local option. When he entered the primaries of last May it was announced that he would support ratification in the next Legislature. There was a time when York county was wet, but the "drys" have been gradually getting into power until now the senator and four members of the House are pledged to vote for the ratification of the Federal amendment. As Speaker of the House, Mr. Spangler will not be found supporting ratification by his vote, but is counted upon to aid the program which Governor-elect William G. Sproul and the "dry" leaders formulate for handling this big question.

CAPT. PRICE VISITS WITH LOCAL FRIENDS

Capt. W. E. Price of the battleship San Louisiana, arrived at the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Louisa Jones, 185 Oneida stree., after spending a 13 day furlough with his wife and family in Galveston, Texas. He stopped off here yesterday for a few hours before returning to New York, from where he expects to sail for France soon. Mr. Price has served with the Spanish American war for four years. He is well known in Monessen, being a former resident here for several years. He worked at the Pittsburgh Steel office. He has just returned from France, having been stationed there for the last four months. He left Monessen five years ago. He was accompanied as far as Pittsburgh by Clem Dauvin, Clyde Sickels, Lewis Williams and Joe Dauvin. Mr. Price will leave Pittsburgh at 11 o'clock this evening for New York.

—Mrs. Martha Orner of Lewistown, Pa. and Mr John Wolb of Columbus, Ohio were married by Rev. J. R. McFarland in the Presbyterian Manse Tuesday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Wolb will make their future home in Columbus, where Mr. Wolb is in business

NOTICE TO DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS

All persons owing borough, school and county tax are required to make immediate settlement.

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CHRISTMAS OBSERVED APPROPRIATELY IN LOCAL CHURCHES

In nearly all Monessen churches yesterday heads were bowed in services of one kind or another commemorating the nativity of the Savior of the world According to the precepts of the various creeds, the services were carried out as they have been in years past, with an added reverence inspired by the fact that Christmas day dawned on a world free from strife and bloodshed.

Special sermons and music characterized the services of the day in many of the churches and the programs were rendered in the presence of audiences which repaid the pastors for their efforts. In many churches, also, unless the services on the preceding Sunday had been extended to include the Christmas entertainments, impressive programs were rendered with the children taking prominent parts. Here and there Christmas trees had been erected and trimmed to aid in the celebration of the day and at some churches special treats of candy were distributed among the youngsters.

Pay Cards Issued

Keefer & McKenna, the real estate and insurance firm of 403 Donner avenue, have just issued the annual pay day cards for 1919 and any person wishing a copy for office or home reference can procure a copy by calling at their office. Included in the card is the local fire alarm system which along with the data on "pays" at the different mills, makes a most useful and convenient reference card.

STAR THEATRE

TODAY—Hal Kane in "Love's Law." "What Will Father Do," a comedy, War News and Screen Telegram.

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Now That the War Is Over We Are Going to Have a Better World Than Before

By FRANK O. LOWDEN, Governor of Illinois

Things were not going very well with us when the war arose. We of America were lacking in many things. We were becoming a little materialistic ourselves. We were becoming very fond of the fleshpots. We were thinking too much about the material things of the world.

The old, finer things of life of which our mothers and fathers spoke were disappearing from our lives. Discipline was breaking down—in the home, in the church, in the school and in the state. Classes were forming. The old notion of brotherhood for which our fathers died at Lexington and Concord was being forgotten. But now, out of the horrors of this, the greatest war the world has ever seen, is emerging, I believe, a new sense of brotherhood—a new sense of the worth and dignity of man.

Now that the war is over we are going to have a better world than we ever had before. We are going to have a revival of that old notion—which we saw our fathers not only teach but practice—of the infinite worth of man as the supreme thing in our civilization. We are going to see a new notion of fraternity; and in business we shall see as great a rivalry as we have seen in the past, but the rivalry between one business and the other will be to determine which can best serve humanity and the world.

Consideration of Problem of How Best To Dispose of Germans in U. S.

By ROBERT COSMOS HARDING, of the Vigilantes

What are we going to do and say to Germans when peace is established? Shall we export them? Or shall we endeavor to teach them the fundamental principles of civilization and humanity? What shall we do with the enemy or former enemy remaining within our gates? Have you United States citizens considered their disposition? If you haven't it were better to pause and reflect immediately. For the question is most vitally yours. Humanity dictates forbearance. It points to the past—to the teachings of Christ, "Go and sin no more." But those immortal words are scarcely applicable to Germans since 1914. Germans have violated every code sacred to humanity and civilization, and, if allowed freedom, will continue to commit deeds bearing the marks of barbarism strongly. Circumstances, education, kultur have molded the Germans into scum. They have made their bed; let them lie in it. Yet those of that nationality who have glimpsed the light of truth in this country and have followed it, molest not; rather nourish.

To the real German close our gates forever. And the sooner the better. For with German propaganda spread from coast to coast, as inevitably will be the case unless we adopt stringent methods of combating it, fiendishness, barbarism, kultur, militarism and what not will drown the elements for which we are fighting and the glorious Stars and Stripes will become a black eagle.

Therefore, until the German shall have become an integral part of advanced civilization and honor, in fitting manner, justice, ostracism were the best course and our teachings must be from a distance, for threats, punishments, outcasting seems to have absolutely no influence. Nor is it only the German crown but each and every citizen of Germany who bears the label "Hellish Hunism."

Peace Will Bring Era of Tremendous Opportunities and Responsibilities

By ARTHUR REYNOLDS, Chicago Banker

Peace will usher in a new era, which will bring to the United States tremendous possibilities, obligations and opportunities in humanitarian, commercial and financial ways. It will be an era of revivification, reorganization and readjustment. I have no doubt that with the use of national resources of character, intelligence and financial strength we shall work out successfully the new problems with which we shall be confronted.

The period just ahead will, in my judgment, be the most wonderful in our history. Our accomplishments therein will depend on organization and effective co-ordination. Greater co-ordination among the various kinds of business will be helpful after the war, as it has been helpful during the war.

I have in mind particularly banking. During the great war America became the world's banker. It must continue to assume the duties of financial leadership. This will mean great things not only for our country but for our city.

Our obligations are both financial and humane. We must aid in the restoration, the healing and the revivification of the world. Our future will be a future of big things and we shall all need the getting-together spirit in order that we may measure up to our responsibilities and our opportunities.

Our financial position and our enlarged merchant marine mean that we shall be brought into closer trade contact with the entire world. This will mean that not only American commerce but American ideas of freedom and humanity will permeate more thoroughly than in the past throughout all the world.

INITIATIVE

By LOUISE PERKINS.

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For the first time since Lurine Williams had left her home to make her way in the business world, she was out of a job. She looked at the matter sensibly, too, remarkably sensibly for so young a girl, for in spite of the fact that she had been a successful and very businesslike stenographer to an important and well-known man for the past five years, she was barely twenty-two. She had worked hard to complete her business course before the small pittance she had saved was exhausted. And it was by sheer perseverance and hard work that she had gained and held her first position.

Now, just as she was becoming sure of herself and her job, her employer had sold out his business interests and had gone West to avoid the breakdown which his physician had said was inevitable.

For the past week Lurine had searched the want "ads" eagerly, but in vain. Today there was one. Mr. Hill, of Loring, Hill & Judson, was in need of a private secretary. It was a position that any stenographer in the city would have been glad to accept, but Lurine knew only too well, as did no doubt a score of other would-be secretaries, that being the best law firm in the city it was the very hardest to gain access to, and Mr. Hill, so rumor said, was the most exacting of the trio. But once a girl was admitted to those sacred precincts her success was assured. Certainly it was worth trying, and Lurine was experienced. Five years should count for something.

An hour later Lurine arrived at the office, very nervous and somewhat breathless, only to be told by a stony-faced middle-aged woman, evidently one of the clerks, that Mr. Hill was busy and if she was an applicant that he wasn't interviewing anyone under twenty-five.

As she was whirred down in the swift elevator a glance into the merciless mirror showed her how hopelessly young and small she looked. However, the luxurious and dignified atmosphere of the office she had just left made her dissatisfied with any other possibilities. "Besides," she told herself as she walked back to her dingy little apartment in the cool spring air, "anything worth having is worth working for."

Early that afternoon Lurine again visited the beautifully furnished office that had become ideal with her. The same clerk admitted her a second time, but surely she saw no resemblance in the cool, self-possessed little gray-haired woman to the extremely young and very nervous girl she had so recently refused admittance to. This time, to Lurine's surprise, she ushered her into Mr. Hill's private sanctum.

Mr. Hill's trained eye appraised her swiftly and she felt from the first that she was making a favorable impression. He asked her a few perfunctory questions, dictated a letter or two and then informed her in his calm, even voice, which she soon learned was habitual with him, that she would do.

Through the hot summer months that followed the little gray-haired, spectacled lady worked diligently in Mr. Hill's employ, always carrying out his wishes, often anticipating them.

Suddenly one day early in the fall Mr. Hill announced that he was to be one of the participants in the Liberty loan campaign, and that he would be obliged to leave her in sole charge of his personal affairs during that time. It was then that her characteristic honesty compelled her to tell him of her ruse and that he was leaving his business in the hands of a girl of twenty-two and not a middle-aged woman.

There was a gleam of amusement in his eyes as he replied: "Did you think so shallow a disguise as yours could deceive as keen a lawyer as your employer has the reputation of being? I knew it from the first. Two of your notables disappeared during your trial dictation. It was your ingenuity and initiative that got you the position, my dear young lady, and it is the same two qualities that assure the safety of my business in your hands."

It is a well-known fact in the business circles of that city that Mr. Hill's secretary is a treasure, but nevertheless it is still something of a mystery to them that he ever came to intrust his affairs to so young a girl.

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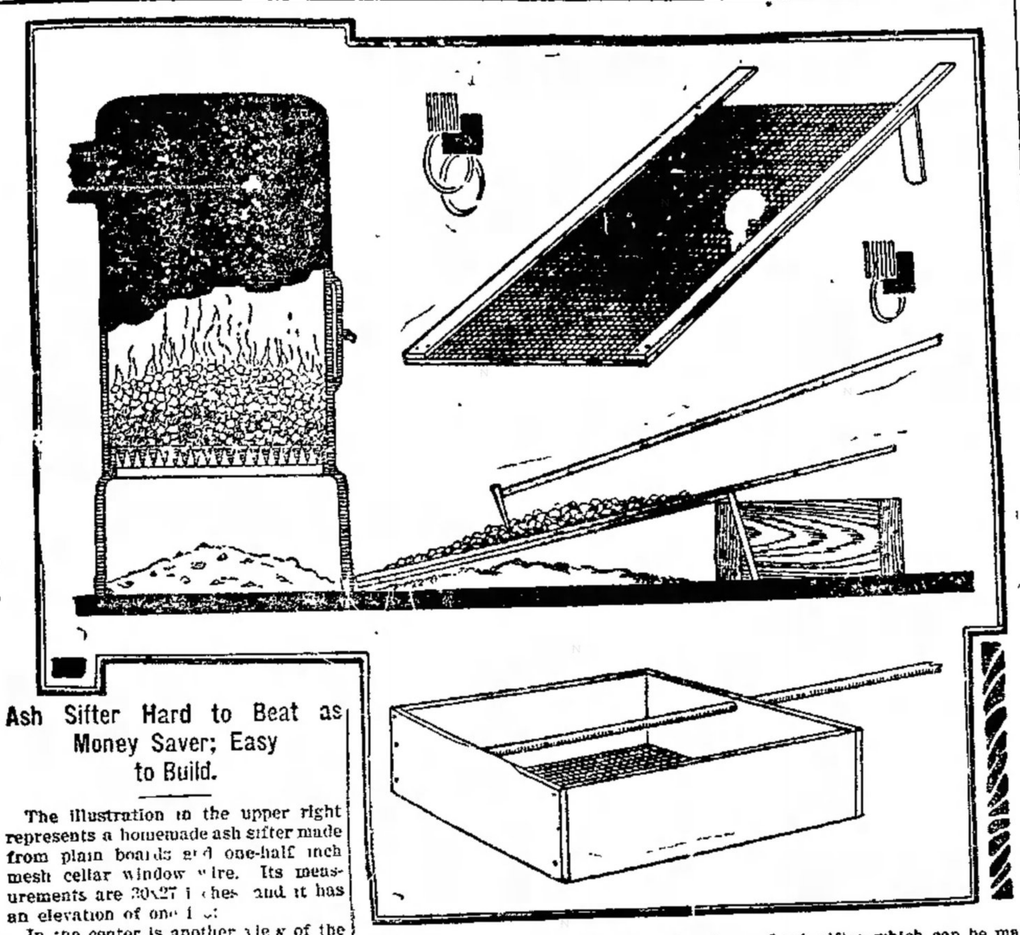

Ash Sifter Hard to Beat as Money Saver; Easy to Build.

The illustration in the upper right represents a homemade ash sifter made from plain boards and one-half inch mesh cellar window wire. Its measurements are 30x27 inches and it has an elevation of one foot.

In the center is another view of the same ash sifter. It shows the sifter placed against the ash pit of a heater, with a box in back of it to catch the reclaimed coal.

Ashes are drawn from the ash pit with hoe, as shown in illustration. As they are pulled over the mesh the ashes drop through the sifter and the recovered coal falls into the box. The purpose of this form of sifter is to allay dust and reduce work.

In the lower illustration is a simple form of ash sifter which can be made with four boards, or a box sawed in half, a broomstick and a piece of one-half inch mesh cellar window wire. This style of sifter is efficient but scatters more dust than the other.

GERALDINE FARRAR in THE HELL CAT
Goldwyn Pictures

OLYMPIC THEATRE TODAY

TOM MOORE in JUST FOR TONIGHT
Goldwyn Pictures

Olympic theatre Thursday

GEORGE WALSH in ON the JUMP

William Fox production sells $100,000,000 worth of Liberty Bonds and busses the Kaiser in twelve languages. Too bad Kaiser Bill understands but five of them.

Olympic Theatre Friday

What's the use of Carrying a Complete Stock unless Folks Know what You've Got? ADVERTISE.

Malted Milk was originated by Horlick. Avoid imitations and substitutes.

GUM TAKES PLACE OF WATER

Assuages Thirst of Soldiers Fighting in Country Where Liquid Was Practically Unobtainable.

Of all the varied means of masticatory stimulation which have been resorted to by man in all climes and ages the great American gum seems least harmful and most helpful. That there is a physiological demand for some masticatory stimulant, says the New York Medical Journal, is shown by the universality of the practice of chewing. Whether it be the tobacco of the American Indian, the betel nut of the East, the slippery elm bark, the tamarack and the spruce gum of the down-east Yankee, the sweet gum of the Gulf states, the chicle of the Mexicans, which, in its American adaptation, becomes the great American chewing gum, man has always felt the necessity of chewing something more than his meals. That there is a practically useful side for this habit is evidenced by the orders placed by the quartermaster of the United States army for 2,500,000 packages of this standard American dainty. We learn from the war department that the commanding officer of a field artillery regiment, about to embark, stated that 250 pounds of chewing gum would take the place of hundreds of gallons of drinking water when water was most needed and least readily obtainable. The American Red Cross recently called an order for chewing gum for use in the reconquered territory where the wells had been poisoned by the retreating Germans.

YANKS DO THE "IMPOSSIBLE"

For First Time In History Stone Houses Have Been Successfully Moved in France.

Declaring that is the first time that a stone house has been moved in France, Sergeants Abe Griesmer and Mike Murphy of Company C have recently finished a job of moving a 350-ton structure and have set it down on its new site.

The French said it could not be done and declared that the only way the road could be cleared for the new line of railway track would be to tear the house down. But the sergeants with their detail of fifteen men started to work with jacks and rollers and soon had the house moving across the fields. News of the feat spread and the authorities sent a photographer from the French Academy of Sciences to record officially the stages of the work.

The house was placed upon its new site without a crack. It is believed that this demonstration of American ingenuity will save many stations along the lines where the Yankee engineers are building additional tracks and switching yards.—From the Spiker, France.

New Surgical Battle Formation.

The French Aid Society for Wounded Soldiers (Societe Francaise de Secours aux Blesses Militaires) has devised a new type of surgical ambulance which meets the needs arising during active military operations. This ambulance can be advanced and moved back quickly, being essentially different from those in use for some months. Furthermore, it enables the surgeons to render speedy, immediate and complete service to patients with extensive wounds of the thorax, abdomen or head. It consists of a number of large tents, one serving as a salle de triage, a second for local administration, another for preparing the wounded for operation, a fourth for radiography; an operating tent, connected with the sterilizer camion, which contains two autoclaves, and, finally, the hospitalization or ward tents. For transport, the whole outfit is carried in two camions or trucks and two trailers.

Long Record of Work.

Miss Jessie E. Cone of Granville, Mass., has worked for more than 32 years tacking hoops on drums in the Granville drum shops, averaging 2,000 hoops a day. She has used the same hammer all the time and has worn out three handles in the work. After working from 6 a. m. until 5:30 or 6 in the evening, she goes home and helps her sister on the farm, where besides milking the cow and doing other work, she has raised 25 bushels of potatoes and has dried beans and canned more than 70 jars of vegetables the last year.

British Air Uniform.

British air ministry announces in London that a light blue uniform has been approved for officers and airmen of the royal air force. Some months must elapse before the new uniform can be generally provided, but khaki uniform will shortly be available, and will gradually be replaced by blue uniform.

When Meat Was Cheap.

The proprietor of "Sweets," an old New York Riverside restaurant that has gone into bankruptcy, says: "When I came here, after the Civil war, to help out my father, we used to cook and serve the finest steaks in the world for 6 cents—and make money on them, too."

Gas Masks for Horses.

The war department recently announced that more than 5,000 gas masks for horses were being turned out daily by the gas defense service and that they are being shipped at once to France for the use of the animals employed by the American expeditionary forces.

PLACE AN AD HERE & WATCH RESULTS.

Simple Wash Removes Rings Under Eyes

Monessen people will be surprised how quickly pure Lavapitk eye wash relieves blood shot eyes and dark rings. One young man who had eye trouble and very unsightly dark rings, was relieved by ONE WASH with Lavoptik His sister also removed bad eye strain in three days. A small bottle Lavoptik is guaranteeed to benefit EVERY CASE weak, strained or inflamed eyes Aluminum eye cup FREE. Harry F. Craig, druggist. adv.

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There is one remedy that seldom fails to stop itching torture and relieve skin irritation and that makes the skin soft, clear and healthy.

Any druggist can supply you with zemo, which generally overcomes all skin diseases. Acne, eczema, itch, pimples, rashes, blackheads, in most cases give way to zemo. Frequently, minor blemishes disappear overnight. Itching usually stops instantly. Zemo is a safe, antiseptic liquid, clean, easy to use and dependable. It costs only 35c; an extra large bottle, $1.00. It will not stain, is not greasy or sticky and is positively safe for tender, sensitive skins.

The E. W. Rose Co., Cleveland, O

What Next?

Recently, after the routine of physical examinations and tests at the Indianapolis Orphans' home had been given, consisting of the typhoid and smallpox vaccinations, eye and ear tests and treatment recommended, search for and removal of adenoids and tonsils, dental tests and care, diphtheria immunity test and antitoxin and finally tuberculosis test, some of these requiring repeated trials and treatment, one little fellow said to his teacher in the school, in speaking of the various overhaulings: "They'll be testing us next to see if we have any brains, won't they?"

Spirit of the Army Woman.

These army women don't complain. I have yet to meet one who is not a thoroughly good sport. They know well enough why they are in the struggle, and the knowledge is a kind of wholesome and sustaining spiritual food. They stiffen to their heroic best. One mother—and she hates sewing—makes all the clothes for herself and her little girl. The Southerner, too, has arisen to the occasion and taken half a house for the summer and plans to do all the work for herself and family. We've never known her to do anything but dress herself prettily, read novels and take the children to the movies.—An Officer's Wife, in Atlantic.

First Airplane Fatality.

The first man to lose his life in an airplane accident was Lieut. Thomas H. Selfridge of the United States signal corps, who was killed in September 1908, while flying as a passenger with Orville Wright at Ft Myer, Va. The next fatal airplane accident occurred a year later in France, when Eugene Lefebvre was enrolled as one of the martyrs to the conquest of the air. Since the outbreak of the war, of course, brave flyers without number have given their lives to their respective countries, and a list of them would fill pages. The first woman to be killed in an airplane accident was Mme. D. Mooro, who lost her life at Etamps, France, in 1911

Have Always Carried Mirrors.

Woman's up-to-date fashion of carrying around a mirror in her handbag is by no means so modern as might be supposed. In the middle ages, from the twelfth to the end of the fifteenth century, every lady carried around with her a tiny mirror in her reticule or hanging from her girdle, mirrors being considered a necessary part of every lady's toilette.

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Have used Doan's Kidney Pills;
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Mrs. C. L. Kehlenbeck, 31 First St., says: "I can recommend Doan's Kidney Pills, because others of my family as well as I have used them with good results After a cold settled on my kidneys, my back started to give me trouble. A box of Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Kirk's Drug Store, entirely cured the attack. Doan's have never so far failed to act as represented."

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If you have no time let me know by mail.

The True Friend

By Ouida Frances Pfeiffer

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"I give up the struggle. There does not appear to be a ray of hope, present or future!"

Warren Burr uttered a deep sigh and folded up a one-sheet memorandum he had been looking over. It contained the names of a dozen or more persons and a pencil line was drawn through most of them.

"I won't try to see the others," he soliloquized. "It would be no use. There isn't one of those relatives who has not received favors from me in the past."

Burr went to the little railway depot at Hopeton to find that he had missed the last train north, the direction he was going in. He made an inquiry as to a hotel. There was none. Then, suddenly, memory flashed a token of the past across his mind.

"I wonder what ever became of the Bertrams?" he cogitated. "When David Bertram, my old partner, died, I sent a trifle to his widow, for I heard that he had left her none too well provided with this world's goods. I wonder if the family still live here," and he proceeded to make inquiries.

Yes, he was told. Mrs. Bertram had two little children and with her aged mother lived in the old homestead. Burr's informant spoke of Mrs. Bertram with a good deal of zest and admiration.

"A fine, capable woman," ran the encomium. "When her husband died it wasn't a very easy road for her for a time, but she managed to pull through with perseverance and industry. She's cleaned the home, let a neighbor work her eighty acres on shares, makes quite a bit out of her orchard and berry patch and is getting along finely."

Burr was sincerely glad of the good news. He had known Leila Bertram when she was a girl. He and her husband had been the closest of friends.

He was not disappointed in his hope and faith. Neat and still girlish in some of her ways Mrs. Bertram recognized him at once.

For one bright happy evening, at least, Warren Burr forgot his troubles, and they were serious ones. He had been a liberal man with the fortune left to him five years previously. There were few friends or relatives who had not benefited through his benevolence. He settled down finally with what he deemed was sufficient to provide for him the rest of his life. Later he became interested in a project for securing from the bed of three rivers where they came to a confluence, a gritty deposit which gave to cement an adhesiveness and stability of great value. He bought up all rights went out for orders and received more than he could fill—built his grinding plant, and after investing his last dollar in the world was told by the house he had bought his engine from, that the last seven hundred dollars due on it must be paid before they would install it.

Then it was that Burr had gone among his relatives to raise the last thousand dollars that would place the coping stone on his enterprise, to meet with bitter disappointment as noted. The only bright spot in his wanderings and useless importunities was that quiet, pleasant evening at the home of the Bertrams. The comfort, the contentment, the influence of kindly, honest hearts, made him wish he might cast aside all his dreams of fortune and forget his troubles amidst such a congenial and ideal environment. He had announced his intended departure the next morning when, having sent the children to school and her mother busy in the kitchen, Leila Bertram came into the little parlor and sat down opposite her guest in a palpably disturbed and constrained way. Finally she spoke:

"Mr. Burr, I do not wish to intrude upon your personal affairs, but I know you are having some deep trouble. I hope amid the same that you will not forget the friendship my dear husband felt for you, cemented with those of us who survive him. Mightn't my help, my counsel relieve you of your heavy load?"

It was so kindly said that Burr could not resist a free confession. Mrs. Bertram regarded him with a compassionate interest that stirred him deeply. She arose silently, went into another room and returned with a time-worn oblong envelope, which she tendered him.

"What is this?" he inquired in some wonder.

"Do you remember after my husband died sending me a thousand dollars, the gift of you and your partner, and I wrote back to you that as soon as it helped me to turn my face toward the sunshine of your old friendship, you would hear from me? Burr, that was a happy day for me when I received your letter saying you were glad to help me, to lend a little of what he, in your business."

It saved the day and for I don't know how many years the [illegible] Leila Bertram knew of [illegible] But with success and new riches Warren Burr never ceased to covet the peace and harmony and comfort of the fair domestic home and now that he told Leila Bertram how much and became her sharer in that happy domain.

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Registers Notices

The following executors, administrators, guardians and trustees have settled their respective accounts in the office of the Register of Wills in and for Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, and same will be presented for confirmation to the Orphans' Court at the Court House, Greensburg, on Saturday, January 18, 1919.

No.	Estates	Accountants
71.	Sam Dishevich	J. R. Eisaman, Admr.
72.	Robert M. Jones	William G. Jones, Exr.
74.	Mary L. Miller	Carrie Llewellyn, Exr.
79.	John Webster	William R. Sampson, Exr.
80.	Mary Mazur, formerly Sknerski	Citizens Savings & Trust Co., Gdn.
81.	James Lutes	Thomas Coates, Admr.
85.	Henry D. Kuhns	Roy E. Kuhns, Admr.
87	Jacob Falvorick	Julia Falvorick, Admrx.
89.	W. R. Caldwell	Emma E. Caldwell, Exrx.
90.	Guseppe Morello	Barclay-Westmoreland Trust Co., Admr.
91.	David J. Young	Sarah A. Barron and Lavina E. Myers, Exrxs.
92	James Brown	Alexander Brown and Anna P. Brown, Exrs.
94.	Herman Hamel	Katherine Hamel and Helen I. Hamel, Admrxs.
95	Lavina Milbee	George W. Milbee, Exr.
96.	Giovanni Gibellino, alias dictus John Gidelin	Quinto Valsesia, Exr.
97	Stephen A. Dry	William H Dry, Admr.
99.	John T. McLaughlin	Charles H. McLaughlin, Exr.
101	John Zeibert	James B. Weaver, Admr.
105	John E. Kistler, alias dictus Jonathan E. Kistler	J. B. Kistler, Admr.
108	Ezra Highberger	J. P. Wentzel, Exr.
110.	Anna D. Halk	Barclay-Westmoreland Trust Co., Admr.
111	Jacob C Hall	A. C. McCutchen, Admr. C. T. A. B. N.
112.	Mrsj Etta A. Cavan alias dictus E. A. Caven	Anna J. Matthews, Exrx.
115	Alex Brown	Josephine Brown, Admrx.
118.	John Jacob Bohler	August Herman Dehler, Exr.
119	William Riley Hilt	E. B. King, Admr.
121.	Isabella Holmes	Matthew J. Patterson, Admr.
122.	Arthur Herrington	Latrobe Trust Co. Gdn.
124	Anrew Berdak	Michael A. Berdak, Admr.
125.	Edmund M Kyle	Valley Deposit & Trust Co., Exr.
126.	George H Weimer	Elmer Weimer, Exr.
127.	John J Haines	Tillie Ma Cole and Harry Cole, Exrs.
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Want Column

WANTED—Kitchen girl at Johnson's restaurant, Sixth street. 60-tf

WANTED—Girl for upstairs work. Victoria hotel. Phone 169. 57-tf

FOR RENT—Furnished room suitable for two. 642 Schoonmaker avenue, near Eighth street. 64-3tp

WANTED—Experienced stenographer and book keeper at once. Apply in person. Potter McCune Co. 65-3t

FOUND—Gentleman's gold band ring. Call 427 Knox Ave. 1tp

LOST—A black leather hand bag between Fifth and Sixth street on Donner avenue, containing eye glasses and money. Mrs. E. Conaway, 480 Schoonmaker Ave. 1tp

LOST—Sum of money between Second and Eighth streets on Donner or in Lutheran church, on Christmas day. Reward for return. Call 133-W. 66-3t

WANTED—2 rooms for light housekeeping to couple without children. Near First street. Adress B, care this office. 66-2tp

LOST—On the West Newton-Belle Vernon road, auto wheel 30x3½. Finder rewarded if returned to Hayden Auto Co., West Newton, Pa. 66-3t

FOUND—Sum of money; phone 161-M. 66-3tp

WANTED—Experienced driver for White truck. Good position and salary to desirable man. Apply Gulf Refining Co., Donora. 66-3t

Certificates Taken As Payment

Instructions have been received by Collector of Internal Revenue, C. G. Lewellyn, to accept treasury certificates of indebtedness dated August 20, 1918, maturing July 15, 1919, and Series T, dated November 7, 1918, maturing March 15, 1919, at par, without interest, in payment of income and profit taxes.

The department has advised the collector that accrued interest on the certificates will be paid separately by the Federal Reserve Bank to taxpayers upon deposit by the collecter of the certificates accepted, showing the date the tax was due and the name and address of the taxpayer.

In like manner interim certificates issued by the Federal Reserve banks representing treasury certificates, will be accepted in payment of income and profits taxes.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

Thanks for the patronage granted during the year 1918, and wishing the New Year will award you more Luck, Happiness and prosperity for 1919.

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Monessen, Pa.

LOCAL NOTES

—Gold Fish at Craig's drug store 56-tf

—Claude McAlister is home for a few days from Camp Gaylor, Ky.

—Pierce Johnson spent Christmas at his home in Clarksburg.

—Everything in holiday goods at Craig's Drug store. 56-tf

—Private John A. Mickelson has arrived home on a seven day leave of absence from Camp Lee

—J. I. Smith, wife and family spent Christmas with the former's parents, at Columbus, Ind

—Glenn Emerson is home from Ft Myer, on a short furlough, visiting his mother, Mrs. Laura Emerson.

—Mr. and Mrs. Clem Dauvin motored to Pittsburgh yesterday and attended the Alvin theatre in the afternoon.

—Mr. and Mrs George Monjot and little daughter of Cannonsburg, are spending the holidays with Mr. Monjot's parents on Fifth street.

—Rudolph Reday and Charles Gansler are among the Camp Lee soldiers who have been honorably discharged and are now in Monessen visiting with their parents and friends.

—Foster Alexander, the first Monessen boy to return home from France, is spending the holidays with relatives and friends in town. He has been confined in an Eastern hospital for several weeks, where he is taking treatment for injuries which he sustained in France.

TO ORGANIZE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS

The war department has recently granted the State Normal school at Indiana, Pa., authority to organize a unit of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps at the beginning of the winter term on January 2, 1919.

The war department furnishes the suits and arms for the members of the Corps and also an officer who has charge of the drill and military tactics. The students pursue a regular course of study and take the military drill as a part of their work. The military drill, as carried on by army officials now is an excellent psysical training.

All able bodied male students, fourteen years of age or over at the Indiana Normal school will be required to take the work of the R. O. T. C. The purpose is to give all young men a type of physical ecucation that is well worth while and which also prepares them to render service to their country if need should arise.

THREE NOTED FRENCH TOWNS

Will Live in History as Having Given Their Names to Articles of Every-Day Commerce.

Three towns in northern France have given their names to articles of every-day commerce—Cambrai, from which "cambric" is derived; Arras, a term applied to a certain kind of tapestry, and Valenciennes, noted for its lace in olden times. Cambrai, too, is associated with the name of the great French ecclesiastic and moralist, Francois Fenelon, a statue of whom stood in the cathedral before the Germans captured the town. Fenelon wrote one of the most famous novels of the eighteenth century, "The Adventures of Telemachus," an account of the son of Ulysses. At Cambrai was concluded a very curious treaty, the so-called "Ladies' Peace," between Louise of Savoy and Margaret of Austria, representing France and Austria, respectively, in 1529. At Arras was born the celebrated leader of the French Revolution, Maximilien Robespierre, who organized the Reign of Terror by which he himself was finally to fall. Valenciennes, no longer made the beautiful lace which its name suggests, but [illegible] manufacture of [illegible] and handkerchiefs. [illegible] of two famous [illegible] whose paintings are [illegible] most characteristic [illegible] of French art [illegible] and Froissart [illegible] of the wars of [illegible] of mediæval [illegible] other famous [illegible] special use of the French [illegible]

ARMENIANS LOYAL TO ALLIES

None of the Conquered Peoples Have Shown More Devotion to Cause of Liberty Than They.

It has been the Armenians who have been most constant in their loyalty to the allies, and eight months ago, from the city of Van, 130 of them went forth to take up positions which had been vacated by Russians.

After the Turks took Erzerum last February they swept on against the national armies of the Armenians and Georgians through to Tabriz in northwestern Persia, threatening the southern Caspian ports and wiping out all Armenians they met, Maynard Owen Williams writes in Asia Magazine. They boasted that they would keep on until they met the Russian army, then nonexistent. The fight by the Armenians and Georgians, lacking allied support, became more hopeless. The Georgians bravely declared their independence [illegible], but hardly a month later 12 Georgian and Armenian delegates in Constantinople were utterly unable to [illegible] but accede to the Turkish demands that they withdraw their troops. It is evident that the Georgians are now completely dominated.

Delighted.

The examining officers at the prisoner pens talk German like natives, but often the prisoners don't and that leads to complications.

One inquisitor, who had just used his best German vocabulary on an uncomprehending Hungarian, turned him over to a special questioner and took on five strangely-clad and somewhat bewildered prisoners who, after a great deal of shouting and arm waving, managed to convey the fact that they were neither Germans nor Austrians nor Hungarians nor Slovaks. They were Italians—five Italians taken prisoner last fall and set to mending roads behind the German lines.

They were much pleased when it slowly dawned on them what had happened, and they wanted to kiss General Pershing or somebody right away. —Paris Stars and Stripes.

Types of Big Guns.

There is no known 75-centimeter gun. If there were its bore would be more than 29 inches. The famous French 75-millimeter gun has a bore a little less in size than the American 3-inch field gun, being approximately 2.95275 inches; the German 77-millimeter is a little larger than the American, being approximately 3.03149 inches. French and American shells could be used in the German 77-millimeter guns, probably with little or no change while German and American shells could not, probably, be used in the French 75's without remachining.

Faces Ahead.

The chaplains from two Yankee regiments that had stormed the slope above the Ourcq came wearily back at sundown from the task of burying their dead. They were two much uplifted men, and their eyes were shining as they made their brief but eloquent report.

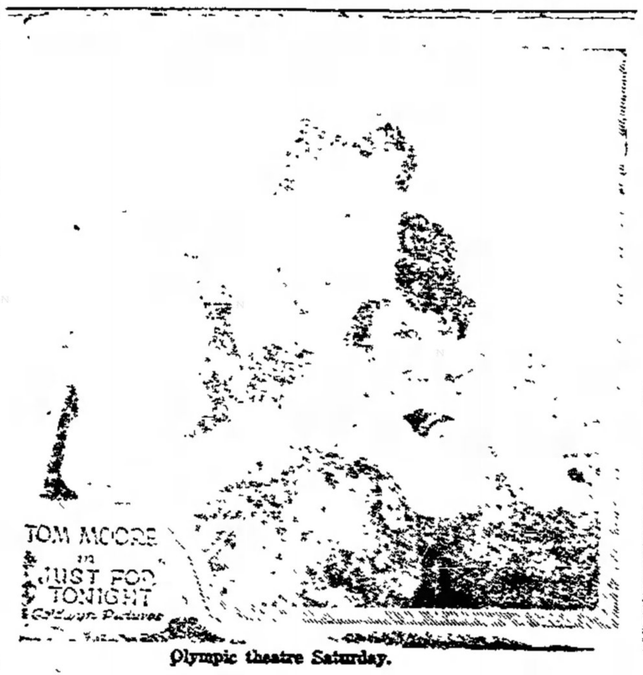
"In all that battlefield," they said, "we found, without a single exception, that every one of those boys died crouching forward, died with his face toward Germany."

New Trick.

A new method of fighting the U-boat menace is for the attacked vessel to drop a depth charge as the torpedo approaches. In daylight the wake of the torpedo can usually be seen quite clearly. When the depth charge explodes it either causes the premature explosion of the torpedo or else diverts the deadly missile from its course. This was found out quite by accident. A ship's officer in his excitement one day threw a depth charge overboard. It did the trick.

Miracle in the Mediterranean.

In an article on the submarine warfare in the Mediterranean contributed to the November Century, Herman Whitaker tells of a lad on one of the American destroyers who had been washed overboard in a black night storm and was thought to be hopelessly lost till a voice hailed the watch from under the stern. He had caught the log line, which trails for a couple of hundred feet behind, and hauled himself along it. Another escape was still more marvelous. Washed overboard at night from one of the destroyers, this particular lad was heaved by a wave upon the deck of another vessel half a mile astern. When he was restored to his own ship at the end of the voyage, his captain thus addressed him: "Young man, you have used up all the luck you will have in all your life. The navy is no safe place for you. Take my advice: get out of it as soon as Uncle Sam will let you."



Olympic theatre Saturday.

THE SOLUTION

By MARGUERITE HAGGERTY

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Hazel ran upstairs to her particular little nook, and fairly threw herself into a large lounging chair. "I guess if I stay up here and read for a while I will be left undisturbed for an hour at least," thought this dainty little miss. After a few minutes had elapsed, the book was thrown idly to one side, and resting her head comfortably on the back of the chair, she closed her eyes, intending to solve the meaning of a letter that she had received that morning. Then, on second thought, she snatched the engrossing missive from a nearby table and settled back once again to peruse its contents.

"Oh, how perplexing it all seems. What can he possibly mean? Oh, well, I suppose I am too silly and nonsensical for words. The idea of worrying myself over his fitful moods." Thus she argued with herself. One minute pitying her hero, and the next instant ready to pounce upon herself for wasting valuable time pondering over his puzzling letter.

A half hour later, Edith, the peacemaker of the family, was passing to her room, and happening to glance into her younger sister's den, saw that she was enjoying a serene little nap. Edith was a kindergarten teacher, and had just returned home feeling rather weary. Instantly it dawned upon her that a light luncheon served upstairs near the cozy fireside would be both inviting and soothing after a tedious day's teaching. Soon the shades were drawn, and the electric lamp lit, casting a soft green glow over the room, while a tempting table set for two sent such a delicious aroma throughout the room that none could possibly escape its lure. A merry ripple of laughter rang out, echoing down the hallway to the rest of the family household, who were already partly through with the evening meal. Hazel, blinking and smiling, jumped up and kissed her sister affectionately, at the same time silently uttering a prayer of thanksgiving to heaven for such a thoughtful and generous-hearted sister.

During the course of the meal, all the petty trials and grievances of the day were talked over. Naturally, Hazel, still feeling quite upset, brought into the discussion the arrival of the mysterious letter from her affianced sailor boy.

"Edith, dear, I have felt blue all day, but now that you are home it seems that a rainbow has flashed over my landscape, and brightened my hopes."

"Well, Hazel, the only possible solution is that you must curb your pride, and write him a very courteous letter.

In the meantime, a younger sister, the mischievous Miss Anna, who had gained knowledge of the letter earlier in the day, was patching up stray thoughts, and was positive that she must be the innocent troublemaker, who had prompted all this misunderstanding. Anna was certainly nervous that evening. First, a knife fell, then a plate went crashing to the floor. Bang! down went a butter dish, and oh, what a daub that butter did make on the carpet "For pity's sake," remonstrated her mother, "can't you hold a plate in your hands for five minutes?"

The next day Anna, after contemplating on the unhappy incident that had occurred, resolved to waylay the peacemaker. That same afternoon quite an interview took place.

"No, Edith, please do not inform Hazel that I wore her green silk dress, because after she refused to loan it to me, why, I promised to be content with her rose crepe de chine. Then, when I went to look over her wardrobe, the green dress looked so perfectly wonderful that I could not resist the temptation to wear it. Of course," she went on, "Hazel was lying down, and I stealthily slipped upstairs and tried it on. The color suited me so well, together with the fact that I am such a terribly selfish and vain girl, made it impossible for me to refrain from wearing the gown. That night, with George Parker at the social, I saw Jack Turner coming towards me. I felt pretty guilty and decided the best thing to do was to shade my face with my hat. Probably I endeavored not to hold George's attention, and fairly succeeded. Do you understand now why Jack wrote in such a melancholy strain? Poor Jack. He thought Hazel was deceiving him. He might have known, however, that Hazel would not refuse to go with him in order to attend the social with George. I will straighten matters out, though, if you will only have confidence in me, Edith, and please keep Hazel in ignorance of the entire affair."

A week later a handsome young sailor was seen heading for 25 Oriole street, the home of a certain Miss Hazel Stewart. After a few necessary explanations, Jack informed Hazel that he was a perfect end to have sent her such a queer letter.

"Won't you try to forgive me, Hazel, dear?" he murmured, as he took her hand in his. With a radiant smile, she answered:

"Little raindrops in the form of tiffs only serve to strengthen our affections, and therefore I forgive you, provided you promise to check your hasty temper in the future."

Just then Anna coming upon the scene, peeped in between the portieres, and heaving a sigh of relief, raised her right hand and quietly murmured: "Never again."

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The Two Paths

By ELMORE DRURY

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It was a supreme hour with Helen Rossiter. She stood alone in her rather pretty and comfortable room in a good grade city boarding house, turning over and over in her hand a flashing gem-studded pin, the velvet case that had contained it and a brief note lying on the stand at her side. The pretty trinket fascinated her, yet Helen knew that she had no right to accept it.

She was an ambitious girl, had received a thorough commercial college education and had come to the busy, bustling metropolis six months previous to find her fondest dreams realized.

"You are the luckiest girl I ever knew," a friend had said to her, and Helen had quite flushed with satisfaction and triumph as she realized the fact as true. She had obtained work at the start in the employ of an agressive, up-to-date mail-order concern operated by a Mr. Andre Leston, a man who was liberal, almost extravagant where the investment of a dollar brought two. He was of expensive tastes and surrounded himself with persons who shared his free lance business ideas. He had been married and divorced twice, but was in no sense a bad man at heart. He took the world as it came, and when his wives tired of him gave them a generous stipend and did not break his heart over their departure.

There were frequent banquets, theater parties and outings given to his employees. Always there was a chaperon for the young ladies and everything was circumspect. In the office, boxes of chocolates and flowers were common. Leston counted upon it that this profusion would influence those he employed to give their best work in return. Helen was paid good wages, but earning all she was paid for.

She had too pure and sensible a mind, however, not to see that the atmosphere was unhealthy, evanescent, deteriorating. The acceptance of the friendship of a divorcee, the general impulse of enjoyment reckless of its purposeless results, the flare, the glitter, a price to pay in world weariness at the end—all this assailed a finer strain of mentality with Helen. Mr. Leston had paid her marked attention.

"He wants to marry you," the head stenographer told Helen. "Why not? He has money. He may in time be neglectful, but never unkind. Feather your nest—it is the way of the world."

And now upon her birthday a delicate note had accompanied the expensive gift, which Helen knew she must not retain. She sighed as she fitted the pin back in its case and indited a note thanking Mr. Leston, but declining the present. Then she thought of home and mother—of quiet and peaceful Waltham, of the humble, but happy friends she had left there, and, most of all, of staunch, honest-hearted Ned Barclay, who loved her, as she knew, although he had never told her so.

The landlady came up with a telegram that put Helen in a transport of delight. It was from her cousin at the home town thirty miles distant. "I am coming to do some shopping," it read. "Get a day off and chaperone me."

What a day they had together, she and Lucia Davenant! They arrived home, gayly chatting, about eight o'clock. The landlady, quivering with excitement, met Helen at the door.

"Some one to see you, Miss Rossiter," she said, and pushed open the door leading into the two long parlors of the suite. A wild babel assailed the bewildered Helen. There were over a dozen of her home town friends. The room was trimmed with pretty leaves, upon a table were apples, nuts, popcorn, a promising plenty of real home products, mince and pumpkin pies, real pound cakes—a birthday "surprise" offering, and Helen actually broke down and cried.

She was glad to welcome Ned Barclay among her guests. There were old-fashioned games and at midnight the gay visitors left for their train, leaving Helen flushed and happy, half yearning to go along with them. Ned Barclay had lingered.

"Helen," he said, and he drew a little package from his pocket, "back home I always brought to you a sample of the first maple sugar run," and as she opened the tissue paper there was the sample, made in a heart-shaped mold and tied with a pretty ribbon. Her eyes were humid as she placed it on the mantel and thanked him. Then the light of a strange resolve came into her eyes.

"Did you come by train?" she inquired.

"Not while old Tim is fit for harness!" laughed Ned.

"Can I—could you find room for me going back?"

"Could I? Oh, Helen! You don't mean to Waltham?"

"Yes, I do—home and mother. Wait just a moment," and she took letter and jewel case, went down to the landlady and returned with sparkling eyes. "I'm ready," she announced, and taking up the sugar heart placed it carefully in her hand bag.

She had chosen her path, and, oh so clearly and joyously she looked into the future, and she and Ned, hand in hand, were [illegible]

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"Cut inspector?" I said. "What's that?"

"He worked on a pecan ranch down south somewhere."

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